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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

application of

Jean-Luc VANHEE

Appln. No.: 09/739,386

Docket No: Q62330

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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All Claims	18	-	20	=	X	\$18.00 = \$0.00
Independent	4	-	3	=	1 X	\$86.00 = \$86.00
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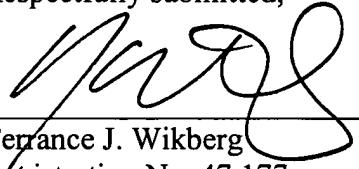
A check for the statutory fee of \$86.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT
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Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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